

ATTACHMENT B

Amendments to the Claims

Following herewith is a complete listing of the claims, including a marked copy of the currently amended claims.

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) A <u>self-cleaning</u> conveying arrangement according to claim 118 in which the conveying <u>meansdevice</u> is a belt <u>conveyor</u>.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 418 in which the first cleaner includes one or more of brushes and scrapers.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 3 in which the sprayer of the first cleaner comprises a rinse/clean unit having liquid directing means for directing liquid onto the conveying surface and in which the first cleaner further comprises a brush or scraper for acting on the conveying surface wetted by the liquid directed thereon by said liquid directing means.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A <u>self-cleaning</u> conveying arrangement according to claim 4<u>18</u> in which the second cleaner applies UV radiation right across the conveying surface at a power of at least 2 W/m².
- 6. (Currently Amended) A <u>self-cleaning</u> conveying arrangement according to claim 4<u>18</u> in which said first cleaner and/or said second cleaner acts on the conveying surface at a flexure thereof.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A <u>self-cleaning</u> conveying arrangement according to claim 4<u>18</u> comprising a detection unit positioned adjacent the conveying surface downstream of at least the first cleaner, to detect the presence of any residual matter on the conveying surface after the action of said cleaner.

8-11. (Canceled)

- 12. (Previously Presented) A method of decontaminating a conveying surface of a foodstuff conveyor, comprising a first step of mechanically removing debris from the conveying surface of a foodstuff conveyor by a process comprising spraying, and a second step of subjecting said surface to ultraviolet irradiation.
- 13. (Original) A method according to claim 12 in which the first step includes one or more of brushing and scraping of the conveying surface.
- 14. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 12 further comprising monitoring the cleanliness of the conveyor surface downstream of at least the first step.
- 15. (Canceled)
- 16. (Currently Amended) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 418 wherein said decontamination arrangement includes a liquid containment chamber with entry and exit openings for the conveying means device.
- 17. (Canceled)
- 18. (New) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement for conveying foodstuffs, said arrangement comprising a conveying device including a conveying surface having a cyclic path, said cyclic path having a conveying run for conveying a foodstuff, and a return run; said conveying arrangement further including a decontamination arrangement arranged to act on said conveying surface in said return run, said decontamination arrangement comprising a first cleaner which comprises a sprayer and is adapted to mechanically remove food debris from the conveying surface, and a second cleaner, downstream of the first cleaner, which subjects said surface to

ultraviolet irradiation, so that a freshly cleaned decontaminated conveying surface is returned to the conveying run.

- 19. (New) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 18 wherein said second cleaner comprises an array of UV lamps directed to irradiate said conveying surface.
- 20. (New) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 18 including a drying device for drying the conveying surface intermediate the first cleaner and the second cleaner.
- 21. (New) A self-cleaning conveying arrangement according to claim 18 wherein said second cleaner comprises sources of UV radiation disposed so that the clearance between said conveying surface and the nearest of said sources is less than 50mm.